

Election for Scouts' Nat'l Jamboree Set

Two of North Torrance's most outstanding Boy Scouts, to represent the district in the National Boy Scout Jamboree at Valley Forge, Pa., next July, will be chosen in the near future, it was announced yesterday by Troop 753, largest troop in North Torrance.

While the two outstanding scouts will be selected on the basis of general merit, scoutcraft and scholastic ability, other scouts will be privileged to attend at their own expense.

The expenses of the two official representatives of the district will be defrayed from funds in the troop's treasury, which have been raised mostly by troop activities sponsored by parents, the troop committee, and the enterprise of the patrols.

It was indicated that the choice of the two top scouts will be made strictly by competitive examinations, to include scoutcraft, scholastic standing, and athletics, in order to give every qualified scout a chance to prove his right to attend the Jamboree.

Plans for the examinations, it was stated, will be drawn up by a group of Scout fathers to be selected at an early meeting of the troop committee.

Milt Huber is scoutmaster of Troop 753, and Marvin Shockley is assistant scoutmaster.

Junior leaders of the troop, led by Scoutmaster Huber, attended a week-end Junior Leader training conference at Cabrillo beach recently, where they received instruction in scout training activities. They will devote this knowledge to the training of other scouts in the troop.

Scouts who attended the conference are: George Corbett and Bill Capps, senior patrol leaders; Dennis Kern, Bobby Joseph, Teddy Armstrong, and Dick Zook, patrol leaders; Greg Jackson, Richard Wagner, Barry Moschel, assistant patrol leaders; Maurice Dohhner, troop scribe, and patrol scribes, Chris Gresham, Robert Richardson, John Billings, and Jonathan Beck.

Local Youth Among Top Craftsmen

Ford Motor company today announced the name of one Torrance high school student who has been selected as one of the nation's best young craftsmen in Ford's annual Industrial Arts Award (IAA) and Student Craftsman's Fair competition.

A total of 720 youngsters—representing 39 states, the District of Columbia, Canada and Puerto Rico—will share as winners of \$50,000 in awards offered by Ford for the largest program of its kind in the world. The IAA competition is designed to encourage useful craftsmanship and outstanding work in school classes.

The Torrance winner was Daniel F. Horton, 18, of 1035 East Spicer street, Torrance, receiving \$20 honorable mention for working drawings in architectural drawing division.

California led states in number of winners with 124 cash awards and seven outstanding achievement awards. Then followed Pennsylvania with 91 winners, Ohio with 81, and Illinois with 64. Michigan ranked fifth of 39 states with 38 cash winners.

Local Boys In Germany

Two local boys, one from Torrance and one from Lomita, are currently serving duty tours in Germany the U. S. Army reported.

Army Pfc. Harry R. Baldwin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Baldwin Sr., 93308 186th St., Torrance, is a member of the 7811th Army Unit in Germany.

Army Pvt. Jose R. Mendoza, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carlos Mendoza, 2165 240th, Lomita, is a member of the 11th Airborne division in Germany.

Baldwin, an engineer supply specialist, entered the army in September 1954 and received basic training at Ft. Ord, Calif. He was stationed at Ft. Gordon, Ga., before arriving in Europe in March, 1955.

The nineteen-year-old soldier attended Torrance high school. Mendoza, an ammunition bearer in Company L, of the division's 503rd Infantry regiment entered the army in May, 1955 and received basic training at Ft. Campbell, Ky. He arrived in Europe in February of this year.

The eighteen-year-old soldier attended Narbonne high school.

OLD-AGE BENEFITS

It is estimated by officials of the social security administration that, by 1960, 80 per cent of the aged citizens will be working or drawing old-age and survivors insurance, or some other government retirement benefit such as civil service, railroad retirement, or state and local.

Flood Control Progress 'Good'

Good progress is being made on two major county bond issue flood control storm drains which will provide drainage and flood protection to a large part of the Gardena valley and North Torrance, Supervisor Kenneth Hahn reported this week following an inspection of the Normandie avenue and the Rosecrans avenue storm drains.

These two projects, being built at a cost of \$1,587,359 will also end the flooding of Rosecrans avenue between Vermont and Western avenue during winter rains.

The Normandie avenue drain, known as project number 10, should be completely finished

by Christmas time, Supervisor Hahn stated. All sections of this drain on Normandie, except for 1000 feet south of 159th street, have been completed and temporary resurfacing laid. The remaining 1000 feet on Normandie should be finished in 30 days, including backfill and temporary resurfacing.

The other sections of this project extend east on Rosecrans to Vermont, then north to 140th street. Excavation for the main line box conduit has been completed on Rosecrans to Berendo street, and 200 feet of the box drain has been completed and backfilled east of Normandie.

CONVENTION ATTENDED BY LOCAL MEN

Knox Johnson, 1053 West Flat, Torrance and Ed Horgan, 2111 Bernist, Torrance, both of whom are employed at Northrop Aircraft, attended the 1956 Western Electronic Show and Convention at the Pan Pacific and Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles.

More than 30,000 engineers, scientists and industry leaders viewed the 706 electronics exhibits and heard over 200 technical papers read on subjects ranging from the U. S. Earth Satellite Program and Guided Missiles to Cybernetics. Highlights of the four-day conclave included an official opening of WESCON with solar energy, an address by Dr. DuBridge, president of Cal-Tech; an address by W. R. G. Baker, president of the Radio Electronics, Television Manufacturers association; and a series of field trips to outstanding electronics facilities in the area.

Pvt. Elliot Completes Training

Pvt. James C. Elliott, son of Mr. and Mrs. Noah A. Elliott, 21122 S. Main, Torrance, recently completed the first phase of six months of active duty under the Reserve Forces Act at Fort Chaffee, Arkansas.

Elliott received eight weeks of basic combat training at the fort, to be followed by advanced individual and unit training.

Men volunteering for the six-month tour of active duty are permitted to finish their military training in local Army Reserve or National Guard units.

Elliott was graduated from Palestine, Arkansas high school.

Doeppling Helps Win Army Award

Army Specialist Second Class Robert L. Doeppling, whose wife, Lois, lives at 6947 Bertrand ave., Reseda, Calif., recently helped his team win the outstanding radar performance award for the fifth consecutive month at Fort MacArthur, Calif.

Specialist Doeppling is a section chief in the 865th Antiaircraft Artillery Missile Battalion's Headquarters Battery. His 13-man team won the award for its outstanding performance in the radar defense alerts in the Los Angeles area.

Doeppling, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Doeppling, 26018 Lucille ave., Lomita, entered the Army in January 1953 and received basic training at Fort Lewis, Wash.

The 23-year-old soldier attended Harbor Junior College, Wilmington, Calif.

THE MEN of action are, after all, only the unconscious instruments of the men of thought.—Heinrich Heine.

PTA Council Schedules First Meeting

The first board meeting of the 186th Street school PTA was held at the home of Miss Ruth Engdahl, school principal, Mrs. Herman Eisenbeis, presiding.

The program for the coming year was presented by Mrs. Guy Cels, program chairman, with the theme "Working Together;" and featured several night meetings and student participation. A report was given by Mrs. Floyd Beech, membership chairman, and approval was given for the theme and posters for the membership drive. It was decided to serve coffee to the parents registering new pupils on the first day of school, and Mrs. Melvin Sogge was appointed to head the committee in charge.

The following chairmen were ratified: Mesdames Jack Ackerman, welfare; J. M. Takahashi, radio and television and motion pictures; Tom Nakaoki, health; James H. Ellis, school education; Philippe Major, juvenile protection; Don Dittman, magazine; Sam Tanahari, music; Donald Lassela, safety; Richard O'Brien, youth service; E. D. Skillman, recreation; Floyd Phillips, room representative; Melvin C. Sogge, hospitality; James McMillen, publicity and news; R. Dean Bryan, legislation; Frank Daddi, ways and means; Edward Stivasen, community chest; and Miss Evelyn Buckley, faculty representative.

Perry P-TA Goes Western

Perry goes Western in his 1956-57 PTA program. The theme for the year is: "Perry Blazes the Trail"—with monthly topics for each meeting also having a bit of "Western Lingo."

The first meeting in September is called "Round-Up Time," at which Dr. J. H. Hull, superintendent of Torrance schools, will speak on "The Torrance School Building Program."

In October the topic is, "Perry Leads the Wagon Train." At this meeting a famous psychiatrist, Dr. Keith S. Dittman, from the Mental Health Foundation will discuss "How the home and school can work together in developing better mental health for our youth." There also will be reports on dental health and family education.

Other highlights of Perry's PTA program for the year will be: A panel discussion on juvenile protection, a classroom demonstration on reading, "Exchanging ideas around the world"—presented by foreign and American students from the American Field Service, open house, and many fine musical programs, terminating with the last meeting in May called "Rodeo Time," which will be a discussion on our "Recreation Program in School and Community."

THE FINEST words in the world are only vain sounds if you cannot comprehend them.—Anatole France.

Fink on Duty at Air Base

Marine Reserve Maj. Henry Fink, Jr., of 3916 Newton, Torrance, is undergoing two weeks of active duty training as a jet pilot at El Toro Marine Corps Air Station, Santa Ana.

He is attached to Marine Reserve Fighter Squadron 241 which normally is headquartered at Los Alamitos Naval Air Station, Long Beach. In civilian life, Fink is an engineer with Douglas Aircraft, and was granted military leave for the two weeks of exercises. More than 300 officers and men from throughout Southern California belong to the three Los Alamitos-based squadrons taking part in the exercises.

Ends Army Training

Army Pvt. Donald F. Ziemke, son of Mr. and Mrs. Emil F. Ziemke, 1627 Hlekory ave., Torrance, recently was graduated from the engineer equipment maintenance course at The Engineer School, Fort Belvoir, Va. Ziemke received training in organizational and field maintenance and repair of construction equipment.

The 18-year-old soldier entered the Army in February of this year and completed basic training at Fort Ord.

Ziemke was employed by Douglas Aircraft company in Torrance before entering the Army.

Scout Troop To Sell Xmas Paper

Has your door bell been ringing a lot lately? If so, it may have been scouts of Troop 728 selling Christmas wrapping paper.

They have a nice box to offer and we hope you will save your purchase for them. They are also planning to sell Christmas trees to watch for their lot.

During the first week in September, eighteen of these scouts attended a week of summer camp on the Kern river near Kernville. The boys had a nice time swimming and "roughing" it.

This troop is sponsored by the Fern-Greenwood PTA and is led by scoutmaster, Herman Bookman.

Pfc. Chapman Participates In Training

Pfc. William H. Chapman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert C. Chapman, 20807 Margret st., Torrance, recently took part in a three-week field training exercise in Germany with the 11th Airborne Division.

The annual exercise included squad, platoon and company level tactical problems under simulated combat conditions.

Chapman is a rifleman in Company I of the division's 188th Infantry Regiment. He

Commercial Vehicles To Register

Owners of commercial vehicles were reminded today by State Motor Vehicles Director Paul Mason that application for last-quarter registration renewal must be made on or before October 5.

The optional quarterly renewal privilege is extended under the law to registration of commercial vehicles subject to weight fees, as a convenience to owners who use their equipment for seasonal hauling.

At the October renewal, quarterly registrants will receive for the first time new license plates. The plates, dated 1956, will remain with the vehicles for four years, as in the case of passenger cars, and at each subsequent quarterly renewal tabs or stickers will be issued in colors to designate the particular quarter for which the vehicle is registered.

Because of the new plate issue for the last quarter of 1956, owners may register at any regular full time Department of Motor Vehicles branch office. Renewals applied for by mail must be postmarked before midnight, October 5, to be free of penalty.

entered the Army in March 1954 and arrived in Europe in March of this year.

Chapman attended Redondo Beach high school.

Truck Rodeo Set Saturday

Safety-conscious drivers at Douglas Aircraft's El Segundo division were readying themselves this week for the annual Truck Rodeo, which will be held on Douglas avenue in El Segundo on Saturday morning, October 6, beginning at 9 a.m.

The third annual Rodeo is being sponsored by the company's transportation department in cooperation with the safety department.

Participants will include truck drivers from the El Segundo plant and Torrance facility.

LIFE IS not so short but that there is always time for courtesy.—Emerson.

El Camino To Host JC Group

El Camino college, gaining stature along with enrollment, will play host to the semi-annual meeting of the Southern California Junior College association, Saturday, October 20.

Boasting eleven faculty members active on the executive and sectional chairman staffs, El Camino holds a healthy percentage of leadership on the SCJA. The organization comprises 31 southland junior colleges and has a membership exceeding 3500.

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